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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Visit To China

MR Wendell Merick, United Press correspondent in Hongkong now on holiday in the United States, turned off a special despatch from New York on Saturday with this statement: "China's Communist bosses have a tailor-made charge ready for their argument in favour of admission to the UN: the US prefers to maintain the Bamboo Curtain. He was writing on Peking's decision last week to admit several American correspondents to China, which individual correspondents have apparently been seeking for many months, and of the State Department's refusal to waive the restriction in American passports forbidding such visits.

Whatever Mr Merick's motives were in writing this particular article, some Americans will feel that basically it is a veiled indictment of State Department policy—or rather, that others (not all of them critical Asians) will take it that way. Superficially it appears to be critical of the timing of the Peking invitation but a certain, perhaps deliberate, ambiguity of expression leads one to believe that the writer's target was that layer of entrenched suspicion and hostility that surrounds America's policy towards China.

THE coincidence of the invitation with the forthcoming Presidential election campaign in which it could become a hot foreign policy issue, and the demand that is almost certain to be renewed by Russia at the United Nations later this year that Communist China be admitted suggest, of course, two ulterior motives. But neutral Asia is bound to disregard motives and, as Mr Merick suggests, see the American decision as further evidence of a policy aimed at the diplomatic isolation of China.

America has made a detente with China subject to two definite and, many feel, reasonable conditions: one is the return of American civilians and military personnel imprisoned in China; the other, a ceasefire in the Formosa area together with a guarantee of non-aggression against the Nationalists.

Seato has given China's neutral Asian neighbours as well as member nations respect in the eyes of Peking. Expediency perhaps dictates this attitude but rivalry between Peking and Washington for the heart of Asia's millions has provided temporary security of a kind. There is a long jump from this state of affairs to America's demand for a ceasefire in the Formosa area; in time, however, expediency may also achieve the desired end here.

IT is possible that Mr Merick understands the need for America to be ready to take the initiative to counter obvious propaganda moves and to make its own suggestions to Asia that it is striving for peaceful settlement. Formosa, North Korea and North Vietnam are all thorns of the same nettle that apparently deft handling at present but which demand inevitably to be grasped firmly.

One may sympathise with the dilemma of the State Department as placed by Peking's invitation to the correspondents, but not with the frigid, inflexible policy behind it which perpetuates tension and hostility and frustrates even the development of a more rational approach towards a detente. Advice that the correspondents should be allowed to visit China later this month may be considered gratuitous. But it must be added that there is a limit to the tolerance the United States can expect from its friends on this outstanding issue of Sino-American relations—and that limit is fast approaching.

SUEZ CONFERENCE WILL GO ON WITHOUT EGYPT

22 NATIONS TO ATTEND

A Foreign Office spokesman said tonight the Suez conference would take place "as planned despite Egypt's rejection."

The spokesman, making the first authoritative British statement on today's announcement by the Egyptian President, Colonel Gamal Abdel Nasser, that Egypt would not attend next Thursday's London talks, added: "Twenty-two out of twenty-four powers have signified that they will attend."

Colonel Nasser's proposal for a wider conference under Egyptian sponsorship was immediately relayed to Sir Anthony Eden, at his country residence, Chequers.

The Prime Minister immediately consulted by

NASSER SAYS

'Russia Did Offer Aid For Aswan'

Cairo, Aug. 12.

The Egyptian President, Col. Nasser, said today, the Soviet Union had offered to help build the Aswan Dam, but the Egyptian Government intended to build it with income from the newly nationalised Suez Canal.

Col. Nasser was replying to questions after a news conference in which he rejected a Big-Three invitation to the Suez Conference which opens on Thursday in London.

Col. Nasser said Egypt was willing to "let bygones be bygones" and settle all disputes with the Western powers by means of negotiations.

Plot Afoot

Col. Nasser said Egypt did not notify the interested nations of its intention to nationalise the Canal because it had heard "a plot was afoot" to extend the Suez Canal Company's concession. "We feared we might be subjected to strong pressure."

Col. Nasser said Egypt contemplated nationalising the Canal two and a half years ago but took a definite decision after Britain and the United States refused last month to help build the Aswan Dam.

Nasser added: "We then realised they were plotting to maintain us in our misery. We had to act speedily to guarantee the Egyptian people their resources and a brighter future."

He also revealed that Egypt did not plan to raise Canal tolls but intended to deepen the Canal to accommodate 90-ton super-tankers.

Talks Anytime

Col. Nasser said his proposed Suez Canal conference could be held at anytime, as long as the dispute was settled by peaceful means.

Asked whether he would guarantee the freedom of navigation on the Canal, Col. Nasser said: "I have never spoken against international guarantees of freedom of navigation. However, I am against collective imperialism."

Asked whether he would agree to let the United Nations guarantee the freedom of navigation on the Canal, Col. Nasser said: "The most important is that the Egyptian Government and people should guarantee the freedom of navigation."

—*France-Press*

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telephone with the Foreign Secretary Mr Selwyn Lloyd, who remained in London.

The British reaction was limited to a two-sentence statement. It was no surprise. Western diplomats had expected the Egyptian rejection of their invitation, and had maintained their London talks would go on.

British diplomatic sources here criticised Egypt's decision not to attend the London conference. They pointed out that other powers which had expressed disagreement

with the aims of the conference had decided to attend the Suez talks with commitment.

British sources noted that Colonel Nasser had admitted that the Suez Canal was a matter for international concern but that the Egyptian President was envisaging only a further international guarantee for the vital waterway and not as the Western powers proposed an international administrative system.

Egypt's refusal tonight was the last of the replies to come in.—*Reuter and United Press*.

After a late night conference with the Governor, Mr Mintoff and his Cabinet agreed to drop their protest that the landing of flying boats in Malta harbours would harm the fishing trade. The flying boats are carrying British women and children from Suez as part of the British Government's evacuation plan in the present Canal crisis.

Mr Mintoff's announcement tonight said that all arrangements connected with the landing of flying boats in Maltese waters would have the full co-operation of the Maltese Government.

The action was a major challenge to British control of its second most important base in the Mediterranean.

Malta Premier Calls Off Rebellion

FLYING BOATS CAN LAND NOW, HE SAYS

Valetta, Aug. 12. The Maltese Premier, Mr Dom Mintoff today called off his one-man rebellion against the British Government's decision to land flying boats in Malta's harbours.

Mr Mintoff met with his Cabinet during the night and they ordered Rediffusion's facilities cut.

Men with clippers openly mounted telephone poles and severed the lines at mid-day.

The Malta Government's Central Office of Information refused to handle publication of the British order warning boats away from the landing areas.

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Cut Off Radio

Earlier, Mr Mintoff had claimed credit for sabotaging the radio station in Malta because the Governor refused to allow his protest against the flying boats to be broadcast.

Yesterday, the Governor, Sir Robert Laycock, ordered all craft to clear the harbours where flying boats would stop over on their flights from Suez to Britain evacuating British women and children.

Mr Mintoff protested this as a violation of fishermen's rights, but Rediffusion Service, which broadcasts to the island under licence from the Imperial Government, refused to carry his declaration.

Reservoirs Are Now 80pc Full

The heavy rains over the weekend have further improved the storage position of the Colony's reservoirs by 239 million gallons. The total amount of water in store at 8 o'clock this morning was 4,757 million gallons—nearly 80 per cent of full capacity.

Consumption during the two days amounted to 73 million gallons and the yield from streams and catchment areas was 312 million gallons.

The following are the Water Authority's figures for the weekend:

Sunday — at 8 a.m., total storage 4,549 million gallons, consumption 38 million gallons, yield 68 million gallons—a gain of 31 million gallons.

Monday — at 8 a.m., total storage 4,757 million gallons, consumption 35 million gallons, yield 243 million gallons—a gain of 208 million gallons.

In the two-day period, 3.30 inches of rain was registered at Shing Mun, in the New Territories.

Rainfall registered at Tytam was .86 of an inch, at Aberdeen .71 of an inch and .59 of an inch at Pokfulam.

—*Malta Independent*

US Ballet Group To Visit HK

San Francisco, Aug. 13.

The San Francisco ballet will visit Hongkong next year, it was announced today.

It will also visit Korea, Okinawa, Formosa, the Philippines, Thailand, Malaya, Indonesia, Burma, India, Ceylon and Pakistan.

The tour, to commence in January, will last about three months.

The group, now conducting a series of engagements in the United States, will go abroad under a State Department programme for the encouragement of international cultural exchanges.—*United Press*.

Frontier Incidents

Tel-Aviv, Aug. 12.

Two new incidents occurred in the Gaza strip on the Egyptian-Israeli armistice lines today, an Israeli army spokesman stated.

This morning, Egyptian positions opened fire against Erez and Kubutz, and the fire was returned, he said.

He replied: "Politics stop at the water's edge. But we recognise very strongly that it is the executive's responsibility to make the decisions, and until they are made we don't want to speculate on them."

The discussion had been "very frank and thorough," he said.

The Congressional leaders had given their views, but, he emphasised, "the Congressional leadership recognised that the conduct of the foreign policy of this nation is the responsibility of the President of the United States."

WATER'S EDGE

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Mr Dewey Short, senior

Republican on the House of

Representatives Armed Services

committee, told one group of

reporters: "The British picture

has changed. We have calmed

them down. They are not as

belligerent as they were."

He also said he believed

President Nasser of Egypt was

"moving more cautiously."

—*United Press*

What The Crystal Ball Says Of Colonel Nasser

Karachi, Aug. 12.

The Dravidian astrologer Pingal Reddy predicted to-day that the Egyptian President, Colonel Nasser, will die a violent death and will be replaced by a general as dictator of Egypt.

The astrologer said the Suez

Canal crisis will be finally

solved by October 20 of this

year when its administration

will return to its "original hands."

Pingal claims that in 1955 he

forecast "troubled times" for

Egypt with three dictators

succeeding each other—General

Nasser and an unnamed general.

He said that Nasser would

break off relations with Britain

and France and that an Egyptian

Government in exile would be

formed in France around the

person of the infant ex-King

Ahmed, son of former King

Farouk.

Ahmed would ultimately re-

turn to the throne of Egypt as

the successor of Nasser, third

dictator. Pingal predicted

France-Press.

Cypriot Killed

Nicosia, Aug. 12.

A Greek Cypriot was shot dead

today by two masked men in

Fira, near Nicosia.

The shooting took place in a

coffee shop.—*France-Press*.

RELAX IN DAKS Whiteaways

Japan Now Building More Ships Than UK'

London, Aug. 13. The Daily Herald today claimed that Japan was now building more shipping tonnage than Britain.

The newspaper said: "Japan has built the largest ship in the world, a tanker of 85,000 tons. For the first time in a generation, the largest ship afloat is not British built or British owned."

That, in itself, is merely an interesting fact, not necessarily of great significance. But here is another fact that should make us sit up.

"We have dropped from our top position as the world's biggest builders of ships. We used to build more than half of them. Japan is now building more tonnage than Britain, with Germany

on our heels."

FULL BLAST "British shipyards are working full blast. There are five million tons of orders in hand, enough work to keep us going for years. That, no doubt, is why Japan and Germany are doing so well now."

Harriman Picks Up Votes On Truman's Backing

**STEVENSON'S SUPPORTERS
CONFIDENT OF
PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION**

By PAUL SCOTT RANKINE

Chicago, Aug. 12. Mr Adlai Stevenson and Governor Averell Harriman—rivals for the Democratic presidential nomination—today campaigned for votes among the delegates arriving here for tomorrow's national convention of the party.

German Protestant Gathering

Frankfurt, Aug. 12. An estimated 450,000 persons were in the sun in front of a 100-foot cross today in the final session of the German Protestant "Kirchentag" conference.

The crowd, which included 25,000 East Germans, heard sermons and reports on the five-day session, blasted forth from loudspeakers mounted inside the cross. A giant 2,000-piece band and 3,000 voice choir, led by three directors using loudspeakers, played hymns. The band could be heard two miles away.

Guests included West German Foreign Minister Heinrich von Brentano and East Germany's Deputy Premier Otto Nuschke.

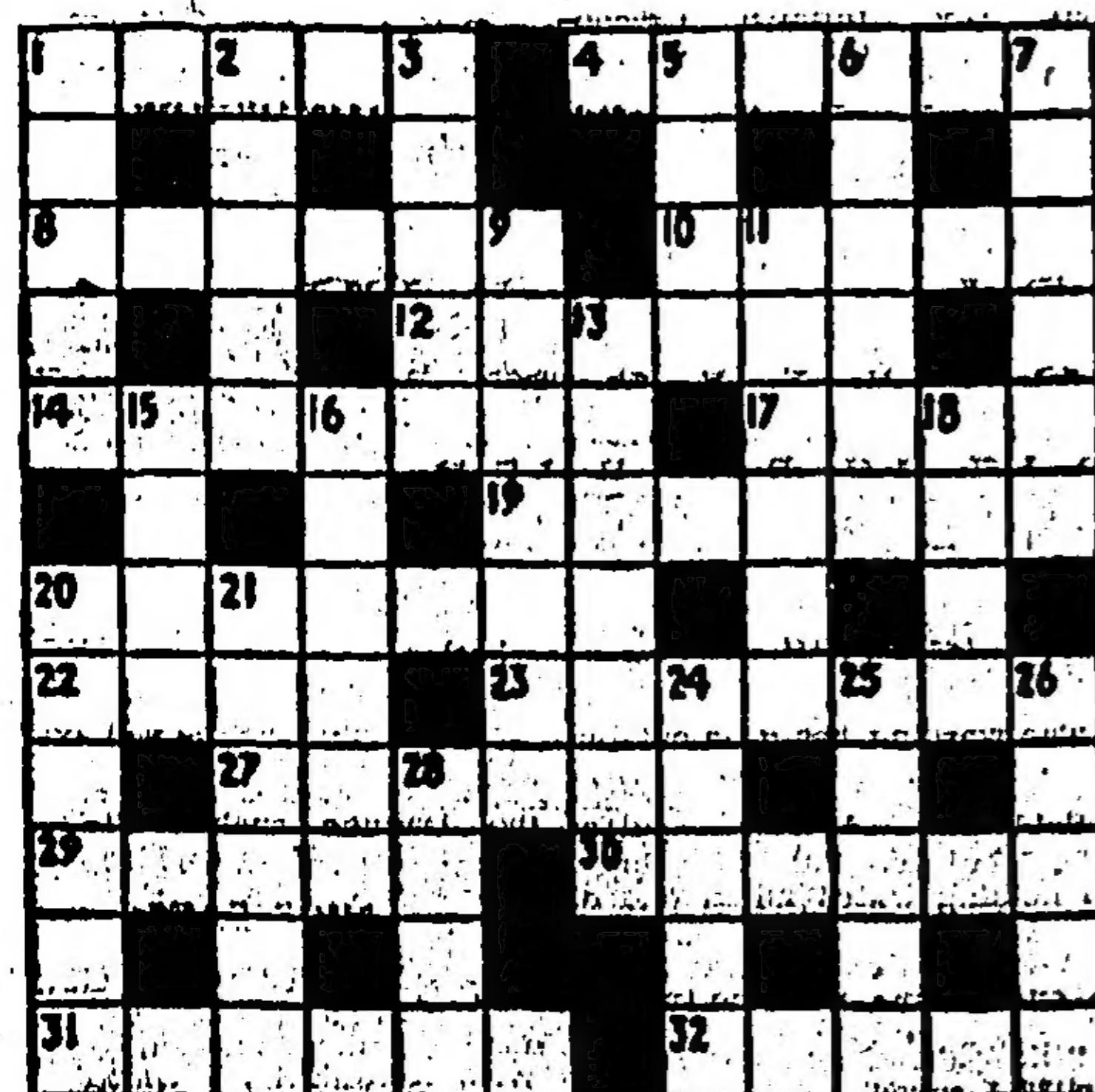
DIVIDING POINT

The major theological step of the conference, which had 70,000 delegates discussing the church's place in modern life, was a decision to ask the church to reintroduce the private confession to German Protestant practice.

The decision was reached by one of the conference working groups and announced today. If adopted, it could reinstate one of the major dividing points between the Catholic and the Protestant beliefs.

Kirchentag officials were openly disappointed at the turnout, which was far under their predictions of 650,000. —United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- Expressions (5).
- Pursued (6).
- Generally known (6).
- Worm (6).
- Roll (6).
- Call together (7).
- Stem (4).
- Colour (7).
- Loud speaker (7).
- Pool (4).
- Diminished (7).
- Dance (6).
- Tablet (6).
- Show clearly (6).
- Lover of cruelty (6).
- Rapid (5).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—ACROSS: 1. Pleasure; 2. Head; 3. Sudden; 4. To support; 5. Moderate; 6. Worm; 7. Roll; 8. Call together; 9. Stem; 10. Colour; 11. Units of length (6); 12. Hide (7); 13. Fragrant oil (4); 14. Pool (4); 15. Diminished (7); 16. Dance (6); 17. Tablet (6); 18. Show clearly (6); 19. Lover of cruelty (6); 20. Rapid (5). DOWN: 1. Subject (5); 2. Bird (6); 3. Sleep (5); 4. Whirl (6); 5. Colies (6); 6. Morn (6); 7. Snack (7); 8. Units of length (6); 9. Hide (7); 10. Fragrant oil (4); 11. Pool (4); 12. Diminished (7); 13. Dance (6); 14. Tablet (6); 15. Show clearly (6); 16. Lover of cruelty (6); 17. Rapid (5).

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Supported

Kefauver asked the delegates who had supported him at the beginning of the campaign for the Democratic candidate to reinforce their efforts on Stevenson's nomination.

He added: "I do not believe the John Lewis group has been able to do all that they could have done to help us. I think he would have been nominated if he had been supported by the John Lewis group."

TERRIFIC BATTLE TO SAVE HARBIN FROM FLOOD WATERS

By DAVID CHIPP

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Harbin, Aug. 12. MORE than 500,000 people are battling to save this industrial city from the threatening floodwaters of the Sungari River. In history, Harbin has faced many catastrophes.

Already situated in the northeast corner of Manchuria, Harbin has suffered from flooding before, but never to the extent that it is now.

Cowes Yachting Week Opens



A scene from the opening of Yachting Week at Cowes, most exclusive week of the British social season, and one which attracts sportsmen from countries the world over. — Express Photo.

REBEL AMBUSH

Algeria, Aug. 2. A heavily armed rebel band ambushed and shot down at least 17 French soldiers on the plains of Beni Sfarhan south of Algiers today. It was reported here.

The strong French patrol moved into the rebel ambush shortly afterwards.

The clash took place near Boukoune on the route from Bir Rabah to Berrouaghia, about 62 miles southwest of Algiers. —United Press.

STALIN CAR RENAMED

Moscow, Aug. 12. The ZIS, Russia's luxury VIP car used by the Kremlin leaders, has been renamed.

Averell Harriman's campaign managers claimed today they have picked up a "minimum of 100 additional" Democratic presidential delegates since Truman endorsed the New York Governor.

Lloyd Bentsen, Harriman's campaign manager, said "we are now gaining first and second ballot in all parts of the country." He attributed part of the Harriman gain to Adlai E. Stevenson's "straddle on the civil rights issue."

Bentsen said the New Yorker appears "unbeatable" at this point. Added to previous claims, Harriman's vote may be between 425 and 460.

Stevenson said he does not expect Truman's enforcement of Harriman to have "any material effect" on his own bid for the nomination.

OVER-RULED

The factory then became Imeni Likhacheva or Factory Named after Likhachev and the initials changed to ZIL.

Many people thought that ZIL was too clumsy for the name of a car, but the doubters were all overruled and all future models of the Packard-like limousine will be known as ZIL.

Buses and lorries produced by the same factory will also be renamed ZIL instead of ZIS.

And the sub-way station near the factory has already had a name-change. It is now the Motor Works Station instead of the Stalin Motor Works Station. —China Mail Special.

124 MPH WINDS

Moscow, Aug. 12. Winds exceeding 200 kilometers per hour (124 mph) were recorded this week by scientists at the Soviet Antarctic base "Malyi" Tass reported.

Snow drifts which built up during a severe storm lasting nearly 18 hours covered all the installations at the Antarctic observatory, the agency said. —China Mail Special.

Twin Jet Bomber Averages 600 mph

Washington, Aug. 12. A B-66 jet bomber has flown from Hawaii to Long Beach, California, at an average speed of more than 600 miles per hour, the Air Force announced today.

The twin jet airplane, which covered 2,890 miles on the flight, was returning from participation in the spring nuclear tests at Eniwetok.

The Air Force did not claim a record for the 4-hour-27-minute hop with Maj. Ralph R. Bobbinet at the controls. His navigator was Capt. G.E. Little and his crew chief was John R. Seper.

The Air Force B-66 is a version of the Navy-designed A3D, which recently flew from Hawaii to Albuquerque, New Mexico, at an average speed of 570 miles per hour for the 3,200 miles distance.

The Navy plane also was returning from Eniwetok.

Both the Navy and Air Force versions are built by Douglas Aircraft Co. The A3D is the Navy's newest carrier-borne

attack aircraft while the B-66 is considered a light bomber for tactical work by the Air Force. —United Press.

Awards For Australian Journalists

Sydney, Aug. 12.

Australian journalists are to have annual awards worth £41,000 (£280 sterling) for outstanding stories, articles and news photographs.

The first prize of £500 is for the best piece of newspaper reporting, second of £2,000 for the best feature story and three other prizes of £1,000 each will be awarded for the best news or general interest picture, best non-fiction story in an Australian magazine and the best story in a provincial newspaper.

Awarding the awards for his company Mr. W. G. Walder, Managing Director of Ampol Petroleum Ltd., said that he had a profound admiration for the high standard of Australian journalism.

An accompanying map was marked with 27 large red stars indicating MVD and police installations in Moscow, including what was described as the "secret garage of the intelligence department". —China Mail Special.

Moumboe, Aug. 12.

A former French prisoner of war in Germany has had his watch returned 18 years after handing it in for repair at the camp clock shop.

He received it in good condition by post from a fellow prisoner who kept the watch in a safe place in the camp when the owner was transferred to another camp. —China Mail Special.

'SECRETS' MAP FOR TOURISTS

New York, Aug. 12.

A former member of the Soviet Secret Police who defected to the West, helped to draw up a new guide book to Moscow containing an up-to-date list of secret police installations offices and Soviet prisons.

The guide book was made public by a Russian refugee organization, the National Alliance of Russian Solidarists, which prepared it with the assistance of the former secret policeman Nikolai Khokhlov.

Mr. Khokhlov, who defected to the West in 1954, said the publication would be a boon to American tourists who now are visiting the Soviet Union in substantial numbers.

SOVIET AGENTS

The book, published in Frankfurt, West Germany, contains 65 pages and a special supplement of advice to tourists telling them that every Soviet guide, waiter and employee "will be an agent of State organs."

Tourists were warned to beware of hidden microphones and that their belongings would always be checked and photographed. They were also warned not to take the supplement of advice into the Soviet Union, "as they might cause some inconvenience with the Soviet authorities."

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Noisy Demonstrators Baffle Police

Ahmedabad, Aug. 12.

Anti-government protests tonight took the form of peaceful but noisy demonstrations similar to those used against the British in India's fight for independence.

After a fairly peaceful day protesters against the formation of a bilingual Bombay state last evening harassed police by shouting and noise making with musical instruments. They stood on roof tops, in compounds and on street corners, some with bugles and other instruments and others beating with sticks against brass trays. Some shouted "Maha Gujarat" and others "Police go away."

Ten Rounds

In further defiance of the government-imposed curfew, hundreds of women and young girls paraded on street corners in the Rambur area. As they squatted, the girls pelted police with tear gas rounds not to fire tear gas shells at them. —United Press.

MINISTER RESIGNS

Ceylon, Aug. 12. Ceylon Premier Solomon Bandaranaike today accepted the resignation of his Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Posts, Broadcasts and Information, Mr. K. M. P. Rajaratnam.

Rajaratnam resigned in protest against the Premier's decision to permit a march organised by the Tamil Federal Party.

The Federal Party has started a march from various localities in North Ceylon—a predominantly Tamil speaking area—to converge on Trincomalee for a party convention on August 12 and 13.

Rajaratnam condemned what this march would lead to communal disturbances between Tamils and Sinhalese, similar to those in early June, over the Government's decision to make Sinhalese the sole official language of Ceylon—Tamil Press.

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JOAN—A QUEEN WHO SCRUBS FLOORS....

By Logan Gourlay

MISS JOAN CRAWFORD, the queen in Hollywood's crumbling dynasty, looked round her temporary palace in London—that gilded rococo Oliver Messel suite in the Dorchester Hotel. She smoothed her tangerine hair (two shades lighter than its natural red) without entangling the plate-sized emerald ring she wore.

Then she said:

"Yes, it's true. I often do the scrubbing in my own home in Hollywood."

"Why?" I asked, trying not to look sceptical.

"I have to get rid of my energy some way," she said, fixing me with a look from those Cinemascope greyish eyes.

I marvelled at her super-abundant energy. After all she is now 46. She has made 73 films and has had four husbands.

She crossed her symmetrical legs (which showed no sign of housewife's knee) and added:

"I really like to do the house-work and scrubbing. For me it's kinda relaxing. Takes my mind off career worries."

"But of course when I'm making a film all my energy goes into it. Then I leave all the chores to servants."

Miss Crawford is here to film "The Story of Esther Costello" for Romulus Films, so it is unlikely that she will be scrubbing out the Messel suite.

Cenial....

Mr Al Steele entered the room. He is Miss Crawford's fourth husband and the millionaire boss of one of America's leading soft drink companies. He was accompanied by his valet and his European sales manager, a genial man, who asked if I'd like a drink.

I felt it would be discourteous not to ask for one of his firm's soft drinks. A freezer full of bottles was prominently and incongruously displayed on one of Mr Messel's fancy tables.

Mr Steele, who is expansive and amiable, regarded me approvingly as I sipped his product. But he also looked at his wife affectionately though

she was drinking only iced water.

He kissed her on the cheek and left, followed by his valet and European sales manager.

Miss Crawford said that after 15 months of marriage to Mr Steele she was still ecstatically happy.

"I never knew marriage could be so wonderful."

"What about your previous marriages?"

"They were right at the time." I said I had once read that when she was married to Mr Philip Terry (Husband No. 3) they used to tap out "I love you" in Morse on tables at dinner parties.

"Nonsense!" Miss Crawford opened her dramatic mouth to its pillar-box widest and exclaimed:

"Nonsense. Just a publicity story."

I inquired if she would be seeing Douglas Fairbanks while she was here.

"Everyone asks that. Of course I'll be seeing him. Why not? We're still friends. I had a note when I arrived from his wife, Mary Lou."

"Now let's talk about something else."

"Are you still having a feud with Marilyn Monroe?"

"Never had a feud. We're friends. She's coming to my party."

A pageboy brought in a bouquet from an admirer. She gave me a bag full of single shillings and said: "You tip him. I've been giving handfuls of these things and I'm told I've been over-doing it."

The page boy graciously accepted two shillings from me.

She went on: "I still don't understand your coins."

Farthings!

For the benefit of Miss Crawford (who makes £70,000 or £400,000 shillings per picture) I listed our coins from half-crown to halfpenny.

"Any others?"

"Farthings." "Do I have to bother about farthings?"

"Nb."

The phone rang. She talked to New York about her four adopted children ("I'm so worried about them"). They had returned to New York in the ile de France with survivors from the stricken Andrea Doria.

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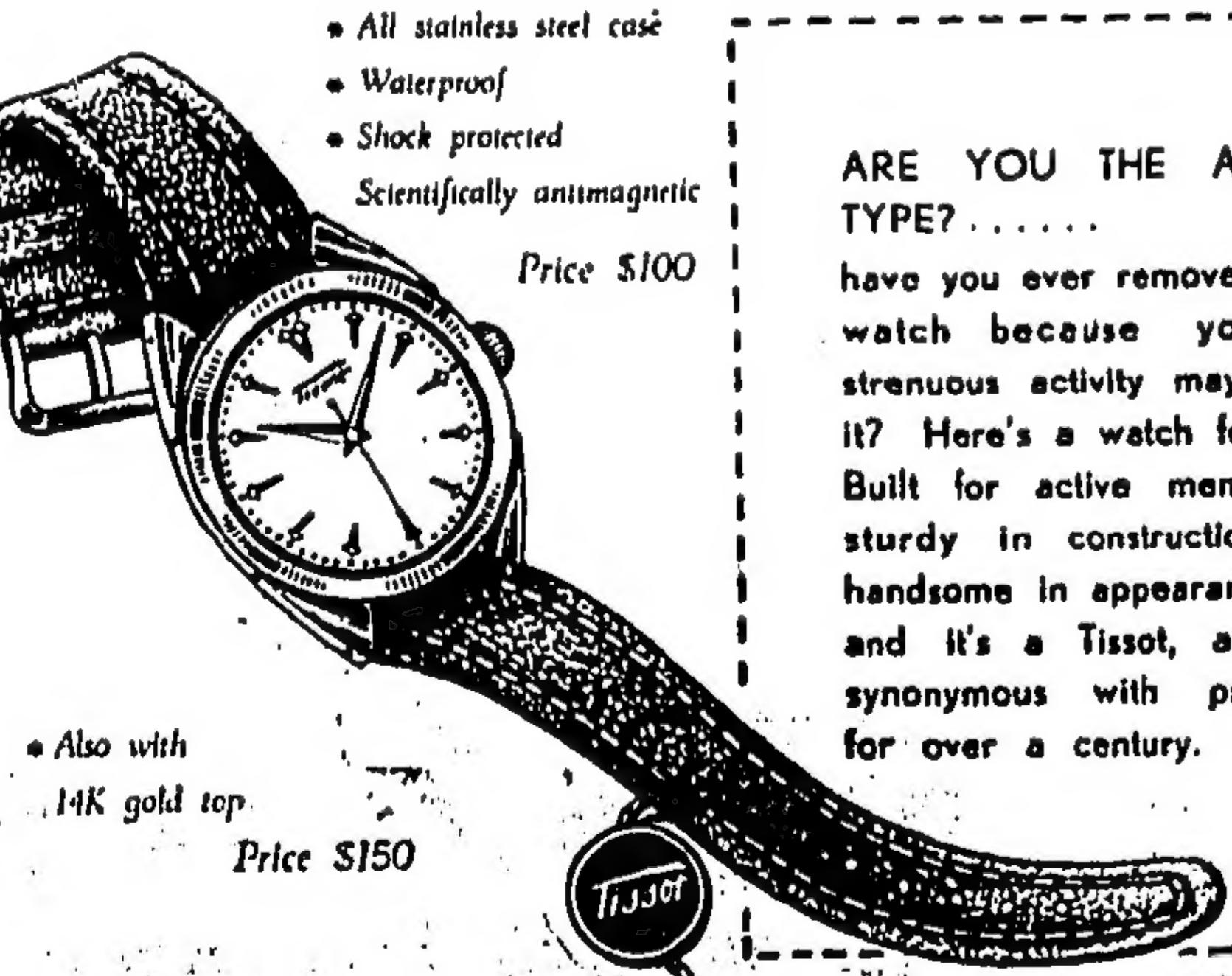
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LEAGUE BOWLS

SELDOM HAVE THE KCC BOWLERS BEEN LUCKIER THAN ON SATURDAY

Says "TOUCHER"

As expected, the First Division Lawn Bowls League title will not be decided until next Saturday when Kowloon Cricket Club will play off the deciding match against Recreio on their home green.

By defeating Indian Recreation Club "Gold" during the last week-end by four points to one the Cricket Club bowlers have now advanced into a favourable position where only three further points stand between them and Championship honours.

The title was, however, decided and congratulations go to the Filipino Club for becoming the 1956 Third Division Champions—a feat which not only gave the Filipino Club members cause for jubilation but also the next season's Lawn Bowls Association officials some head-scratching. Under the present rules the Filipino Club will have to field three teams in the Second Division League next season.

For the Bowling Club it was real hard luck on their part to falter in this crucial game after their brilliant victory the previous week against the HKPSA. However, they could draw one consolation in that the newly-crowned Champions really played heads-up bowls to clinch the title with a 4-1 win over them.

Drawn against the Filipino Club four skipped by Francisco Tan, A. Hutton's Bowling Club four were 2-7 down at the end of the seventh head, but picked up to 9-10 by the 11th head.

SCORING SPREE

In the next six successive heads, however, the Filipino Club combination went into a scoring spree, chalking up no fewer than 12 shots to lead by 22-9. A lightning rally by Hutton's four gave them a five, a single and a two to finish up even shots behind.

The same thing happened in the next rank. After holding A. Ribeiro's four to 9-8 on the eighth head, J. Cosgrave's four took a downpour and plunged to the next four heads, losing a two, a single and two threes to allow the Filipino bowlers to forge ahead to 17-9 and eventually end up with a comfortable 36-18 score.

DIFFERENCE OF NINE

While Hong Sling was slowly increasing his lead by singles, the deciding tussle between Gaffney and Abbas reached a thrilling climax on the 18th head. With his opponents leading by 21-16 and lying two shots about eight inches in front of the jack slightly on the backhand side, leaving about three-quarters of the jack exposed, the KCC front men all went through from one to two yards behind on a tricky forehand draw.

With not a single backwood behind, Abbas came in with a heavy draw on the backhand either to push his own wood through or go through himself to mix up with three or four KCC backwoods. His first wood got deflected towards the jack and came into the count.

Gaffney went inches past the jack on the forehand. Left with the alternative of either putting in a short forehand blocker or a backwood, Abbas chose the latter and again went on the backhand only to see the same thing happening to his second wood which wicked off towards the jack for the fourth shot.

With his last wood, Gaffney got the jack full, trailing it

almost a yard for a count of five. That head made a difference of nine shots!

The KCC four followed this up with a three on the 20th head to practically clinch the issue and made sure of their win with a single on the last head.

Only two heads were played off yesterday in the semi-finals of the Colony Open Rinks Championship. A heavy shower made further play impossible and the semi-finalists will continue on a date to be fixed from where they left off. George Souza's four were then leading Tony Alves, John Tang and Dick Rossette, who were evidently the sacrificed lambs in this match.

With Hong Sling drawn against Adal, Dick Rossette against Sherry Bucks and Gaffney against Barney Abbas, it looked at the beginning as if the odds were in favour of the Indians to win by a 4-1 margin and that the deciding factor would be the result of the game between the fours skipped by Gaffney and Abbas.

This turned out to be the case, almost up to the 18th head. On the 15th head, Bucks was leading Rossette by 12-6 and Hong Sling held almost the same margin of lead on Adal. Abbas then had a 17-12 lead over Gaffney.

A strong late rally by the Kowlontines saw Rossette succeed with a beautiful drive which took away two shot woods at a time to give his four a count of five. Almost immediately Gaffney took a four from Abbas to close up the gap to 16-17, and Rossette followed up with another four to narrow his deficit to 15-18.

THRILLING AFFAIR

The First Division match between Kowloon Cricket Club and Indian Recreation Club

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Russian Woman Sets New World Pentathlon Mark

Moscow, Aug. 12. Nina Viningradova, of Leningrad, today broke the world record for the Women's Pentathlon with 4,707 points—77 better than the previous record held by her compatriot, Alexande Chudina.

It was the first world record during the track and field events of the Spartakiade, the Russian Olympic trials, in Moscow's New Lenin Stadium—Reuter.

The European record holder, Leonid Shcherbakov, today won the Hop, Step and Jump event at the Soviet Spartakiade in Moscow with 16.31 metres (53 feet 8½ inches).

Otto Grigalka won the Discus event with a throw of 52.51 metres (172 feet 3½ inches).

Arildsson Ignatjev won the 200 metres event in 21.2 seconds. Details of today's world Pentathlon record set up by Nina Viningradova are as follows:

Shot Put—13.23 metres (43 feet 8¾ inches).

High Jump—1.57 metres (5 feet 1¼ inches).

200 Metres—26.4 seconds.

80 Metres Hurdles—10.9 seconds.

Long Jump—5.88 metres (19 feet 3¾ inches). — France-Press.

DANISH TENNIS

Kurt Nielsen
Beaten In
Singles Final

Copenhagen, Aug. 12.

Torben Ulrich beat his fellow Danish Davis Cup player Kurt Nielsen 6-2, 6-3, 6-2, 6-4 to win the Men's Singles title of the Danish Lawn Tennis Championships here today.—Reuter.

The match was played to a crowd of standing room only in Ulrich's new stadium, the broadcast said.

The Czech team, which placed third in a recent European women's championships, arrived in Peking on August 8 for a three-month series with Chinese teams.—United Press.

RUGGER VICTORY

Buenos Aires, Aug. 12. The Combined Oxford and Cambridge Universities rugby team beat Beijing Athletic Club by 21 points to three here today. They had 11-0 of handling losses.

THE CAGED CADDIES OF JAPAN



In this largest of Japanese cities there is a People's Golf Course for factory workers. Budding golfers pay only 250 yen—about 2s. 6d.—for a whole day's play. There are driving ranges of 100 yards and 200 yards, and each range can take up to 30 golfers who wish to improve their driving. They can tee off as many balls as they like, and caddies, protected by chicken wire frames, recover the balls. Picture left shows golfers in practice. The course is equipped with floodlights, to enable some to play at night at work's end. Picture right shows caddies—well-protected by chicken wire—recovering the balls.—Express Photo.

He's Eager To Tackle First Division Stars

By JOHN MACADAM

How does it feel to be the man who has steered a football team from the seemingly eternal doldrums of the Second Division into the company of the great ones of the First?

Pretty good, if the restrained confidence of Horatio Carter, manager of Leeds United, and one of the greatest ball-players of all time, is any criterion.

And how does it feel to have, as the fulcrum of your plan, a 24-year-old giant Wales skipper John Charles, probably the greatest individual footballer in the world today?

Why, pretty good, too.

REALLY GREAT

"Big John is one of the greatest," Raich Carter repeats the word happily—"ball-players and I've seen some." A real ball-player can play in any position and that applies absolutely to Charles. He will lead our attack and all our planning will be around him.

"This is not to say that we are a one-man side. On the contrary, we have a lot of football right through the team. There were one or two people who say that we played too much football last season. But, of course, I don't hold with that. I'm not much of a gardener," he confesses, "but I do a bit of that too, just to keep the place tidy."

Another phenomenon is Raich Carter himself. He strips and goes out for the youngsters' practice games, coasting through the course, with one on in the opener and Mickey also scored the decisive run in the second game on Bill Skovron's single. Don Larsen and Tom Morgan picked up the win.

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When he ran on to the practice ground to take part in a game with the youngsters he played in goal—and brilliantly at that. He leapt for the high ones, tipped some expertly over the bar, went full-length on the ground, clutched them to his chest, and distributed his clearances with the accuracy of one who did nothing else!

He is a phenomenon and gives absolutely no appearance of knowing it; a natural leader and gentleman about whom you

will never hear a sour word at Elland Road, or in the city of Leeds or, for that matter, anywhere in football.

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MOTOR RACING

Frenchman Wins Swedish Grand Prix On A Ferrari

Kristiansad, Aug. 12.

France's Maurice Trintignant today won the Swedish Grand Prix race for sports cars on a Ferrari, covering the 153 laps, about 1,000 kilometres, in six hours, 33 minutes and 47.1 seconds.

Ferrari won the world championships for sports car builders after today's race.

Ferrari won the championships when no Maserati remained in the race, Ferrari had already a lead in the world championship on points before the race on Maserati was its only near rival.

The first Maserati, driven jointly by Franco Jean Behra and Britain's Stirling Moss, burst into flames and burned out during refuelling at the pits.

Behra covered 100 laps before drawing into the pit for refuelling. He had taken from Moss at the 61st lap.

Moss took over another Maserati and shortly after his car also burst into flames. This ended the second Maserati. The third Maserati crashed earlier in the race.

Fourth was Peter Whitehead (Britain) and Graham Whitehead (Britain) on a Jaguar, who covered 145 laps in 6 hours, 33 minutes and 50.6 seconds.

Fifth was another Jaguar, driven by Olof Persson (Sweden), R. Tappan (United States) and Frazer (United States) who covered 128 laps in 6 hours, 34 minutes and 16.6 seconds.—Franco-Press.

SECOND FERRARI

Second was Berge Von Trips (Germany) and Peter Collins (Britain) on another Ferrari, in 5 hours, 34 minutes and 27.6 seconds.

THIRD FERRARI

Third was Mike Hawthorn (Britain) and Britain's Stirling Moss, Portago (Spain) and Duncan Hamilton (Britain) on a third Ferrari in 6 hours, 34 minutes, 36.7 seconds for 152 laps.

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Milwaukee Braves Retain Lead In National League Pennant Race

New York, Aug. 12.

The Milwaukee Braves retained their ½-game lead in the torrid National League pennant race today when they defeated the Cincinnati Redlegs, 8-2, behind Lew Burdette's five-hit pitching.

The Braves, who have beaten the Redlegs eight times in 12 meetings this season, backed Burdette with an eight-hit attack that included two-run singles by Bill Bruton and Bobby Thomson. Burdette struck out three in registering his 14th win and his third over the Redlegs.

Brooks Lawrence was kayoed in 5½ innings and suffered his fifth defeat against 16 triumphs. He has dropped five of his last seven decisions.

Brooklyn Dodgers beat the Philadelphia Phillies 7-3. Carl Furillo hit two homers and Randy Jackson and P. Reess one each to help Roger Craig to his 12th triumph.

The Pittsburgh Pirates pushed the New York giants deeper into the cellar with 3-2 and 11-3 triumphs. Vernon Law won his fifth game with the aid of Bill Virdon's two-run triple in the eighth inning of the opener and then the Pirates slammed out 17 hits off three Giant pitchers in the nightcap.

Bob Rush scored his 11th win of the season when the Chicago Cubs downed the St. Louis Cardinals, 6-2, and then the teams battled to a scoreless tie halted by darkness in the nightcap.

Jim Kling delivered a homer and a bases-filled single to lead the Cub's attack in the first game. Herman Wehmeyer and Jim Davis matched goose eggs in the second game.

RECORD PAGE

Mickey Mantle hit his 41st homer and went 13 games ahead of Babe Ruth's record pace as the New York Yankees beat the Baltimore Orioles, 6-2 and 4-2, to stretch their American League margin to 8½ games. Mantle's homer came with one on in the opener and Mickey also scored the decisive run in the second game on Bill Skowron's single. Don Larsen and Tom Morgan picked up the win.

Herb Score struck out 14 batters and Rocky Colavito walked a three-run homer to give the Cleveland Indians a 6-3 triumph over the Kansas City Athletics. Colavito's homer came in the eighth inning, snapping a 3-3 deadlock and dealing Lou Kretlow his sixth triumph.

The Detroit Tigers beat the Chicago White Sox to a 5-2 win. Billy Pierce suffered his fifth defeat against 17 wins.

Bud Elyer scored his first American League win as the Washington Senators downed the Boston Red Sox, 8-2. Jim Lemon blasted his 20th homer for the Nationals, who have beaten the Red Sox nine times in 13 games.—United Press.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

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(First Game)
St Louis 2 9 0
Chicago 0 13 0
Bobbylock, McDowell (3), Liddle (5), Konstanty (7) and Cooper, Rush (11-5) and Chu, LP-Blaylock (0-4). HRS-King (9th), Irvin (13th).
New York 2 6 0
Pittsburgh 3 5 2
Gomez, Ridzik (2), Wilhelm (6), Grissom (8) and Sarni, Law (5-13) and Foiles, LP-Gomez (6-12).
Cincinnati 2 5 1
Milwaukee 6 8 0
Lawrence, Gross (3), Fowler (5), Acker (6), Black (7) and

Selected for the ladies' events were:

Hedda Forst, Odile Vouaux, Celine Sendral-Jany, Colette Thomas, Viviane Gouverneur and Marie-Helene Andre.

Nicole Pelissard and Christiane Lire have

Taiwan's First Olympic Selection A Good One

By "RECODER"

The Republic of China's only selection so far for the Melbourne Olympic Games is an exceptionally good one. Yang Zuan-quang, who unexpectedly won the Asian Games Decathlon Championship at Manila in 1954, has improved considerably since then.

At the Olympic trials held at Taipei on July 28 and 29, he scored 6,895 points in the Decathlon and did not bother to run in the last event—the 1,500 Metres.

This performance would have ranked him 10th in the World Decathlon ranking list but, at only a handful of competitors did better than this performance at the United States Decathlon Olympic trials at Crawfordsville, Indiana, last month.

Yang Zuan-quang's general improvement, which has been going on steadily over the past two years, seems to have taken a spurt with the coaching he received from former American Olympic star William Preston Miller.

WHAT HE DID

This is what Yang did at the Olympic trials at Taipei. A 100 Metres Dash in 10.8 seconds. A Long Jump of 6.88 metre or 22 feet 6 1/2 inches.

Walker Gains Olympic Selection

Westbury New York Aug. 12. Henry Luskay, today won the United States Olympic selection walking race over 20 kilometres, when he covered the distance in one hour, 32 minutes and one second.

Luskay has twice represented the United States at the Olympic Games.

Bruce Macdonald was second in one hour, 33 minutes and 24 seconds, and Rudolf Halusa was third in one hour, 35 minutes, five seconds.—France Presse.

Ted Kroll Wins World Golf Championship

Milwaukee, Illinois, Aug. 12. American Ted Kroll won the Tom O'Shaughnessy "world" golf championship here today with a 72 hole total of 273.—Reuters.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Sailor Jack Tar Gull

—He Plans A Trip To The Top Of The World—

By MAX TRELL

EVEN before they reached the dock where the ships come in, Knarf and Hanild, the shadow children with the turned-about names, could hear someone saying: "Now just look here—my hearts—I may be small and skinny and weigh no more than a handful of feathers, but I've seen the world. I've travelled, we have!"

It was Jack Tar Gull who was standing on a wooden pole talking to a whole flock of sparrows.

Seas And Oceans

Jack Tar Gull was a gull, but he was also a sailor. He preferred seas and oceans to green grass, rolling waves to rolling hills and never came back to dry land without feeling that it was only for a visit.

While other birds yanked worms out of the ground, Jack Tar Gull dived into the water and came up with fish.

The sparrows flew off. Jack greeted Knarf and Hanild.

Presently, after inviting them to sit down beside him, he said: "Well, I'm just back from a long trip south."

"South?" said Knarf. "Where in the south?"

"Florida, my lad, Florida."

"Oh," put in Hanild, "a lot of our friends go down there during the winter."

"A lot of your friends? Who, for instance?" asked Jack.

Swallow Family

"The Redbreast Robins, for instance, and the Swallow family. There are others, too. Did you see them down there, Jack?"

"No," said Jack, "I hardly ever meet the land birds. But I met a lot of sailors like myself. The first day I arrived in Florida, I took a bit of a sail out into the Gulf of Mexico. It's quite a beautiful body of water. You've never seen such pure blue water. And you've never seen so many birds flying over it. They're big and small. And, then, there were the ducks."

SURREY vs. AUSTRALIANS



Ever alert Tony Lock throws down Craig's wicket and appeals for a run-out when Burke straight drove a ball to bowler Lock. An incident during the match between Surrey and Australia at the Oval on August 2.—Central Press Photo.

GREAT POTENTIAL

His potential seems to be in the region of 6,700 points, which both last season and in the present season would rank him potentially among the 10 best athletic all-rounders in the world.

He is certainly not in a class with the best Americans and Russians in the Decathlon, but he is not far off their class. In fact he has more than an even chance of finishing in the first six at the Melbourne Games.

At his best he has done 14.8 seconds for the 10 Metres High Hurdles, 9 feet 6 inches for the High Jump and nearly 23 feet in the Long Jump.

His main weakness lies in the throwing events and Bill Miller before leaving Taiwan advised him to go through a weight training (weight-lifting) exercises for athletics programme.

But even if Yang appears to be on the weak side in the shoulders, his Javelin Throw of 101 feet 2 1/2 inches is a good performance by top class Decathlon standards and his Discus Throw of over 121 feet is quite good by the same standards.

EASTERN TENNIS TOURNEY

Ham Richardson Beats Australia's Fraser In Men's Singles Final

South Orange, New Jersey, Aug. 12. Ham Richardson, 22-year-old Rhodes scholar from Westfield, New Jersey, required only 65 minutes today to polish off Australia's Neale Fraser, 6-3, 6-3, 6-2, and capture the Eastern grass court tennis crown.

This established Richardson as the scourge of the Australians in this tourney. In the last four rounds he conquered Roy Emerson, Ken Rosewall, Ashley Cooper and Fraser. Richardson succeeded Sunmym Glammalva of Houston, Texas, as the Eastern grass court singles king. Glammalva was eliminated in the third round by Fraser.

In one respect, the Richardson-Fraser finale was considerable

of a disappointment. Except for a few flashes in the opening set, the tall Australian, who also is 22, couldn't produce the brand of tennis that yesterday enabled him to humble Vic Seixas America's top amateur netman. Error after error flew from his racket, and a great many of them were fluffs of easy returns. Richardson kept up constant pressure, but Fraser helped the American along by beating himself at many crucial stages.

SERVICE BREAK

Richardson, No. 7 in the U.S. ranking, started the match with a service break. Fraser broke right back, but the American cracked again in the fifth and ninth to sew it up. A break in the sixth game enabled Richardson to capture the second set.

A break in the third game of the third set was all Richardson required in the homestretch. Just for good measure, however, he mangled Fraser's delivery again, in the seventh. He then held his own service at love to seal the disgruntled Australian's defeat.—United Press.

AT MUNICH

Munich, Aug. 12. Sweden's Sven Davidson and Chile's Luis Ayala today scored a surprise win over America's Budgie Patty and Australia's Lew Head in the finals of the Men's Doubles of the Bavarian International tennis tournament.

Davidson-Ayala won after a marathon match by 6-4, 6-7, 9-7, 3-6, 6-2.

In the Women's Doubles, Daphne Sceney and Thelma Long of Australia beat India's Rita Daws and Edda Buding (Germany) by 6-1, 6-2.

In the Men's Singles tomorrow, Head will meet Patty and in the Women's Singles, Long will meet Buding.—France Presse.

Principal players are Kieron Moore, Lois Maxwell and Donald Wolfit. Major shooting was done at Shoperton Studios.

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Rupert and the Fire Bird—34



Rupert is so distressed by what has happened to Pop-Pop that he can hardly move. As he stands, wondering what to do, there is a faint rustling sound—and, yet another great bird flies down to him. This one is quite different shape and not so fierce-looking.

“Please,” says the newcomer and “scars up his courage to speak. “Please, can you help us?” he cries. “Could you fly after that great bird and make it bring my pal back? It would be terrible if it just let go and dropped him into the water.”

RUSSIANS WIN

Vancouver, Aug. 13. Russia's Locomotives defeated the British Columbia All-Stars 5-2 last night before 30,000 spectators at the western Canada's new stadium, and now the Russian Olympic team is the clear favorite.

IN GRANDMOTHER'S DAYS

SHE HAD LESS TROUBLE FINDING A HUSBAND THAN DOES GRAND-DAUGHTER

Says RON BURTON

Hollywood. A quick look at current sociological conditions and those of grandmother's day would indicate that she had less trouble finding a husband than does granddaughter. Why?

Gwen Wakeling makes no claim to having made a scholarly study of the matter, but she's fond of a theory that occurred to her in her work as a Hollywood fashion designer.

"Women used a much different and infinitely more subtle approach to induce a man to propose in those days," she said. "The whole thing boils down to a matter of exposure—they used clothes to call attention to themselves, not to exploit their charms."

"Our grandmothers had an easier time finding husbands, yet they exposed less than half as much bare area. And you mustn't lose sight of the fact that they probably were more men-conscious then because marriage generally was the career for women."

SCREEN GEMS' TV series, "Father Knows Best,"

"Now that I think about it, most Hollywood stars—the serious ones, anyhow—wouldn't wish their boy friend problems on their worst enemies."

"For example—we meet boys who expect us to pay the cheque because we're working and they're still in school. And after you run into this, you've got to be braced for the type who sits like a dummy all evening. He's saved because you're an actress."

Young Miss Donahue, who has been in show business for 16 of her 18 years, said a car still appeals mightily to boys, particularly to boys who don't have "wheels." She discovered this when she recently received a new convertible for her birthday.

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The glamour girls just don't exist as a rule because of the uncertainties of Miss Donahue's schedule. She had to cancel several dates at the last minute because of unexpected rehearsals calls. Dates don't go for this, she said.

Other things that hinder her socio-romantic life: boys who don't ask her for dates because she's becoming a well-known actress and they think she probably won't go out with nobodies; and others who get that old rejected feeling when she has to decline wednesday evening dates because, of a

truth, she's saving for film work.

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Three years ago preparation began on a film which apparently anticipated correctly the approximate time recent headlines would be made. It is called "Satellite in the Sky" and tells the story of a nuclear bomb drop from a high-flying jet plane.

The picture is classified as an atomic science adventure thriller. Its main point is, of course, the explosion of the huge atomic bomb dropped from a stratospheric jet. However, the film has a tender love story and explores the reactions, feelings and the behaviour of families of the bomb crew.

Director Paul Dickson said he was interested in realism. Producers Edward and Barry Danziger agreed to go all out for it, and part of this policy resulted in the production being done in CinemaScope and WarnerColour.

Early viewers of the film are shocked by the degree of realism achieved. They also think that, in addition to the story and film techniques, an "intangible" part of the total feeling of realism is due to the picture's timeliness.

"There's no denying that the production is right off the front pages of the world," a Warner Bros. spokesman said. "Certainly millions and millions of people everywhere know about the United States dropping its first hydrogen bomb from a plane. The Pacific tests were widely publicised as news of the highest order."

He also pointed out that millions were aware, too, of Russian claims of a hydrogen bomb drop prior to the United States' effort over a lonely island.

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New Swedish Swim Mark

Berlin, Aug. 12. Trevor Fancutt of South Africa scored an upset victory over Australian Don Candy today to win the Grunewald tennis club's singles championships, 7-5, 6-2.

Erika Volmer of Germany beat Italian champion Nicola Migliori, 6-3, 6-1, for the women's title.—United Press.

AT BERLIN

Stockholm, Aug. 12. Swedish swimmer Gunnar Carlsson tonight lowered the Swedish national record for the 800 metres free-style, when he clocked 10 minutes, 13.1 seconds over the distance in a Värtberg pool.

The previous record stood at 10 minutes, 17.1 seconds.

AT SAINT-BONNE

Freiburg, Aug. 12. German Helmut Schmid set up a new national record for the women's 100 metres back-stroke, 1:06.2, last night before 20,000 spectators.

Werner, of Austria, was second.

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for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors,
passing the Accounts for the
Year ended 31st March, 1968,
and electing Directors and
Auditors.

By Order of the Board
MARTIN & CO.,
Secretaries.

HONG KONG, 13th August,
1968.

NOTICE

THE SHEK O COUNTRY
CLUB

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that the Annual
General Meeting of THE
SHEK O COUNTRY CLUB
will be held at the
Club House, Shek O, on
Friday the 31st August 1968,
at 6.15 p.m. for the purpose
of receiving the Report of
the Committee for the year
ended 31st March, 1968 and
to elect the Committee for
the ensuing year.

Nominations for the new
Committee must be in the
hands of the Secretaries not
later than Friday, the 24th
August, 1968.

Week-day Members are
cordially invited to attend
the Meeting.

By Order of the General
Committee
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Secretaries.

HONG KONG, 13th August,
1968.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

“AOAPENOR”

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will
be surveyed by Messrs Goddard &
Douglas on Holt's Wharf from 10
a.m. on August 14 and 15, 1968, and
consignees are requested to have
their representatives present during
the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWINEY,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 11, 1968.

To ADVERTISERS

SUNDAY POST-HERALD
Space for commercial
advertising should be
booked not later than
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Special Announcements
and Classified Advertisements as usual.

SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Radio Link Along Iranian Pipeline

A British company is to build a complete VHF radio system along the length of a new 600-mile oil pipeline from Abadan to Teheran. The pipeline crosses some of Iran's toughest country. Value of the contract is reported to be £300,000.

Equipment to be supplied includes 84 VHF multi-channel stations.

Four principal stations along the route are to be sited at Abadan, Ahwaz, Azna and Tisperan. Switchboards will be provided at each station, with six circuit connection.

Automatic Feed Of Screws

New equipment for automatically feeding screws to the head of a portable driving tool is being produced under the trade name Pneuma-Screw. It is operated from the normal factory compressed-air supply at a pressure between 70 to 90 pounds per square inch.

The device consists of a hopper holding a supply of screws (enough for five to eight hours operating), with an elevator and magazine where they are selected individually and delivered to a cut-off plate or shuttle.

Compressed-air feeds the screws from the shuttle to the portable driving-head through a tough plastic tube. The driving-head may be attached to any standard power-driver.

If an air-driver is used, an armoured plastic tube is coupled alongside the feed-tube, or flexible cable if an electric-driver is preferred.

A third line, connecting the head to the hopper is a signal tube which synchronises the operation of the hopper with that of the driving-head.

The driving-head is fully mobile up to 20 feet (six metres) from the hopper and can operate at any angle.

The machine can be produced to drive screws of large variety up to 1/4 inch maximum length.

Advantages claimed for the tool is that screws can be driven four times faster than by conventional methods, that it eliminates handling of screws, reduces wastage and operator fatigue. Firm: Guest, Keen and Nettlefolds (Midlands) Ltd, Screw Division, Box 24, Heath Street, Birmingham, 48, England.

Polishing And Waxing Machine

A new heavy duty “vitrifier,” designed primarily for the car body trade, has, it is claimed, many other applications. It is the 7-inch polishing and waxing machine by Black and Decker Ltd, Harmondsworth, Middlesex, England.

A cushion pad is supplied as standard equipment, and when used with a felt rubbing pad and the appropriate rubbing compound, the machine effectively provides a finish to new cellulose.

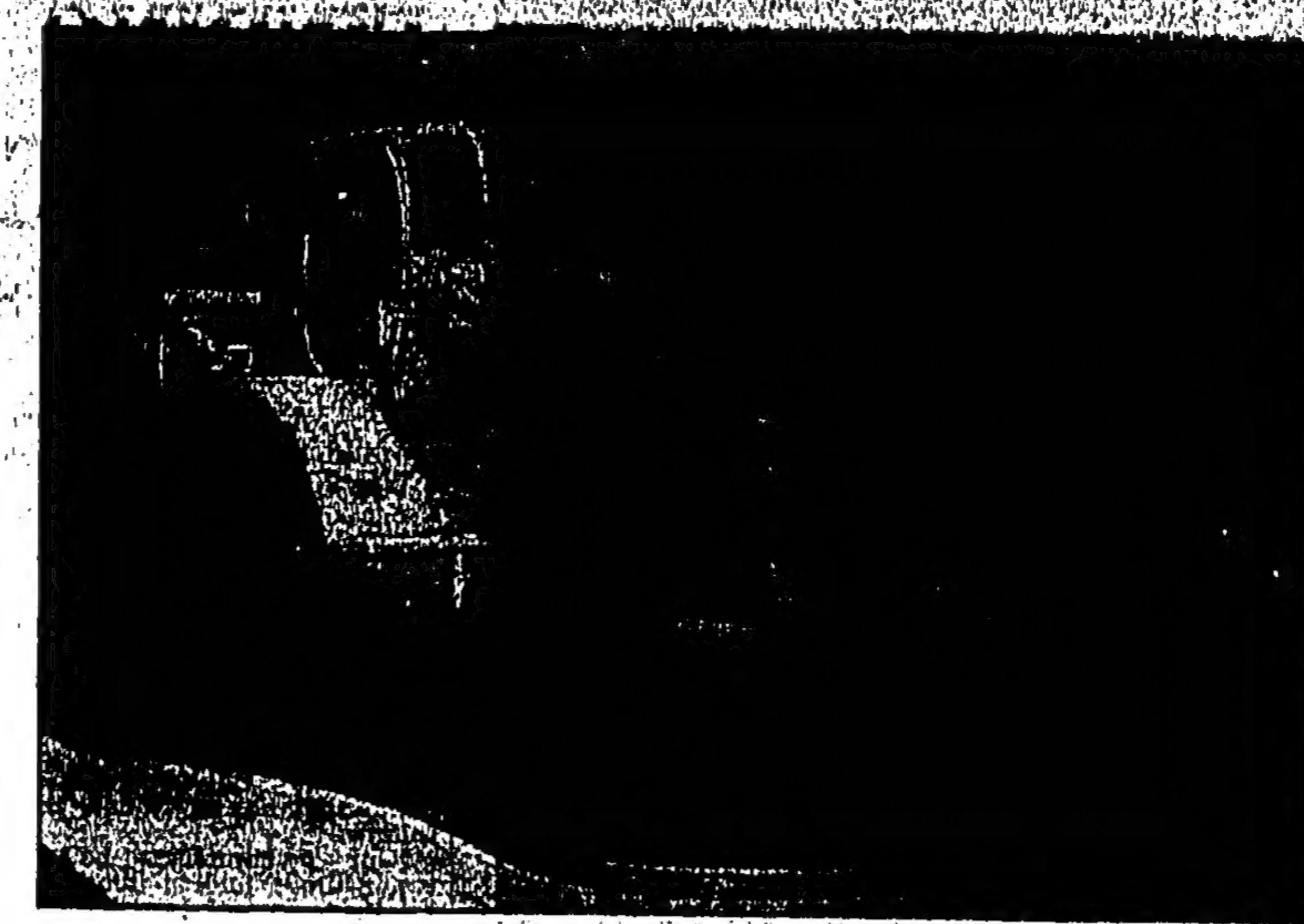
The vitrification fluid, with the lamination polishing bonnet quickly removes road film from coachwork, giving a brilliant lustre and covering the cellulose with a hard “vitrified” coat without damaging or scratching the paint, say the makers.

In addition, the machine is useful for polishing and waxing metal, wood, furniture, panels, boat hulls and similar purposes.

The new tool incorporates heat-treated spiral-bevel gears with grease-sealed ball bearings which require no periodic lubrication; exhaust air from the motor is deflected away from the operator; the handles are designed for comfort and the side handle can be mounted either right or left.

A new type 720-watt motor is fitted, and the weight of the tool is only 11½ pounds.

Standard equipment includes three-core cable, detachable side handle, 100-110 volt 50/60 Hz, two-pronged plug and fuse, summer winter and stop-over switch.



This mechanical scoop called the “Loadmaster 500” to which its hydraulically boosted power-steering was featured among the exhibits at the Fifth Mechanical Handling Exhibition in London. Powered by a diesel engine the Loadmaster is made available with interchangeable scoops in 11 different sizes. It is also able to operate on off-road tracks or light bulldozer, and is especially suitable for loading and light excavation work. Manufacturers: Chaseno Engineering Co. Ltd, Station Works, Hertford, Herts, England.

WIDE RANGE OF RADIO EQUIPMENT

Murphy Radio Ltd, of Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire, had a good range of sets at the Radio Exhibition backed by a world-wide overseas technical service. The receivers included a 7-valve mains superhet and its battery equivalent, a battery model which reduces consumption when the volume control is low, a competitively-priced 5-valve mains superhet with a six-foot (1.82 metres) “throw out” aerial and a 9-valve luxury set with ten push-buttons for instant waveband selection.

Temperatures along the pipeline can range from 120 degrees F. in the shade to -20 degrees F. The terrain of the centre section is particularly rugged and inhospitable—one selected site is 8,000 feet above sea level. Blizzards and gales were frequent. On one occasion a truck was nearly blown over a precipice, on another the cold was so intense that the truck's radiator froze although filled with antifreeze. Wolves and brown bears were frequently encountered.

Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co. Ltd, Chelmsford, Essex, England.

Kolster-Brander Ltd, Foothill Cray, Sidcup, Kent, had console and table television models for AC mains in a range from 110 to 270 volts for 525 or 625

line systems, a ten-waveband sound receiver for world listening, and a “Magic mirror.” With fully tripolarised cabinet and chassis in a one-piece natural plastic cabinet.

These are only some of the very big selection of export models made by companies throughout the industry, which is now expanding its output continuously. Total output of all types of radio receivers, including radiograms and car radios, reached 1,168,400 in the first half of 1955, against 883,077 in the comparable 1954 period. Television set output exceeded 776,000 (608,700). Exports of domestic radio receivers in January-June were slightly over 150,000, and little changed on the year.

EXPANDING OUTPUT

Bush Radio Ltd, of Power Road, London, W4 markets a vibrator for use with its export battery sets, in addition to a range of superhet mains receivers, and the export department of E. K. Cole Ltd (Ecko Works, Southend-on-Sea) showed 8-valve and 7-valve superhets with exclusive waveband coverage. Ferguson Industries Ltd, 105-109 Judd Street, London, WC1, ranged from a 5-valve 3-waveband superhet for AC/DC mains (and a battery equivalent) to a 7-valve 5-waveband receiver specially designed for reliable long-distance reception, as well as radiograms.

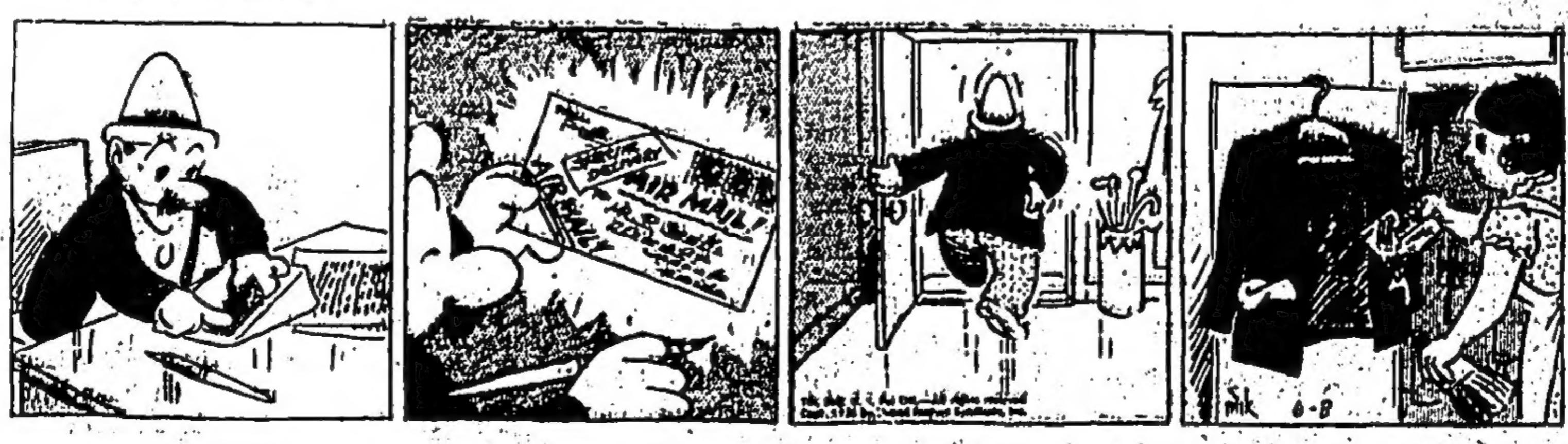
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MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

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By Ernie Bushmiller

JOHNNY HAZARD



By Frank Robbins

STROBOSCOPES FOR THE FAR EAST

THE demand for modern electronic measuring equipment has increased considerably during the past few years in the Far East.

Simple and robust instruments, which can be used by semi-skilled workers, are especially useful. This has led to the popularity of the range of equipment made by Dawe Instruments Ltd, London.

One of the instruments made by this firm is the ultrasonic thickness gauge, which can measure the thickness of materials, of which only one side is accessible. This can be done in a matter of minutes by anyone after brief instructions, and the readings are guaranteed to be accurate to within 3 per cent.

This gauge is used for checking corrosion in chemical plants, ships, boilers, pipes, tanks and other structures which cannot be easily measured with conventional mechanical gauges.

Another important industrial aid is the range of Diamo stroboscopes. These are lamps which do not burn continuously, but flash at a regular rate which is adjustable within wide limits.

Stroboscopes of various flash intensities are available and there are also special models such as the Stroboloom for the textile industry, the Ministrobe for simple cutting, the Mains Frequency Stroboscope for studying slip on synchronous motors, and many others.

These units are now in use throughout the world. Several have recently been delivered to Singapore and Hongkong for general maintenance duties, while Dawe stroboscopes are used in India and Pakistan for most of the applications described above.

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those of unregistered correspondence posted by air. G.M.T. stands for Greenwich Mean Time, i.e. the time at the Royal Observatory, Greenwich, which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry.

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MONDAY, AUGUST 12

By Air

THIRTEEN, Birming, India, Pakistan,

Middle East Africa, Great Britain,

Europe, 6 p.m.

By Surface

Japan, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13

By Air

Peking, Shanghai, Kunming, Hay-

an, Canton, Chongqing, 10 a.m.

Indo-China, France, 12 a.m.

N. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand,

Philippines, 2 p.m.

Malaya, Indonesia, 3 p.m.

Formosa, 6 p.m.

India, Burma, India, Pakistan,

Europe, 8 p.m.

China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.

Malaya, Aden, Middle East, Great

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Suez Canal Crisis Impact On Oil Industry

MORE ATTENTION WILL BE PAID TO NATURAL GAS RESOURCES

By HARRY W. FRANTZ

Washington, Aug. 12.

The Suez Canal crisis, even if amicably settled, will have a tremendous and revolutionary impact on the petroleum industry of the entire world, according to government experts today.

An early reaction will be greater attention to the natural gas resources in many oil-producing countries, it is said.

The mere possibility that the Eastern oil situation might be under political clouds for a long period, as least until the Soviet Canal might be interrupted, stirred expert interest in the areas of strategic transport and technological aspects of the world oil situation. About 67,000,000 tons of oil moved northbound through the Suez Canal in 1955. Although it could all be moved on alternative routes, at higher transport costs, the petroleum industry took account of the possibility that the Middle

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The Middle Eastern petroleum production in 1954 was 1,013,540,000 barrels, or 20.31 per cent of the world total production of 4,989,470,000 barrels in that year. But the proven oil reserves in the Middle East, principally in Iran, Iraq, Bahrain, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, are already estimated at

America Thinking About Trade With Saudi Arabia

By HARRY W. FRANTZ

Washington, Aug. 12.

The large and growing commerce between the United States and Saudi Arabia is among the factors which influence this country toward a moderate course and an amicable settlement of the Suez Canal crisis.

The Suez situation causes a somewhat uncertain feeling in the commercial circles concerning volume of trade in coming months, but prior to the current crisis all reports and statistics had inspired optimism concerning the prospects for a record year in 1956.

Despite the uneasiness about a possible temporary interruption of traffic at Suez, which would have political ramifications throughout the Arab countries, experts here are expecting continued extraordinary progress in Saudi Arabia's economic development. This will be progressively reflected in United States-Saudi Arabian commercial relations.

Parallel with the progressive development of the Saudi Arabian oilfields, United States imports from Saudi Arabia have climbed from \$2,481,000 in 1947 to a peak of \$66,800,000 in 1954.

Larger Imports

They declined to \$66,957,000 in 1955, but the larger imports of crude petroleum from Saudi Arabia in first five months of 1956 foreshadowed a probable new record for year 1956.

Because of tremendous shipments of machinery, equipment and miscellaneous materials for petroleum development, United States exports to Saudi Arabia have long exceeded the valuation of imports, but the trend in the last few years has been toward a favourable merchandise balance for Saudi Arabia. This will continue as United States expands imports of crude petroleum.

In 1953, United States imports from Saudi Arabia were valued at \$66,890,000 and exports to Saudi Arabia were \$76,872,000.

In 1954, exports were \$43,380,000 and imports were \$65,937,000.

In first quarter of 1956, United States imports of crude petroleum from Saudi Arabia were \$46,400 barrels valued at \$10,184,000 compared to \$2,600,000 barrels valued at \$18,545,000 in January-March period 1955.

In April, imports were 2,279,465 barrels valued at \$7,057,000 compared to 2,022,023 barrels valued at \$4,019,000 in April 1955.

In May, imports were 2,078,881 barrels valued at \$7,728,000, compared with 2,056,800 barrels valued at \$7,774,000 in May 1955.

According to an official dispatch, Aramco (Arabian

Oil Company) in Saudi Arabia established in the month of May a new all-time record for crude petroleum production, with average of 1,121,298 barrels per calendar day. Previous records were 1,054,091 barrels daily in April 1956, and 1,041,000 barrels daily in November 1955.

This tremendous oil production was accompanied by a building construction boom in Saudi Arabia, governmental programmes for civic improvements in several cities, highway programmes, sanitary improvements and other activities which would normally lead to a higher volume of imports from the United States.

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A significant indication of the future increase in the international importance of natural gas is seen in a report from Saudi Arabia. In 1955, a group of United States investors was reported to be interested in the possible industrial use of surplus natural gas from the Arabian-American oil company operations.

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On Friday, selling developed again with the international oils showing substantial losses and declining tendencies noted through most of the list, although closings generally were well above the day's lows.

Weekly New York Stock Market Review

By Elmer Walzer

New York, Aug. 12. The stock market community tried unsuccessfully last week to rationalise the seriousness of the Suez Canal situation.

Market men said for a time that the inflationary implications of the steel wage-price spiral would offset the Suez Canal expropriation and help the market to new record highs.

The market all but followed their thinking. The industrial average crossed the old April 6 record high on Thursday but backed away before the close. That average along with the rails and utilities closed lower on the week.

It was the first weekly decline in utilities in nine weeks during which the average had risen to a new high since March 20, 1951. Railroad shares were still under the influence of the steel strike which cost them a lot of profit, a wage hike, and a plea for higher passenger and freight rates.

The market analysts pointed out that at current levels the market was in delicate territory. Many traders, they noted, are willing to sell for profits and demand has to be very high to keep the rise moving.

There were many favourable and a few unfavourable in the week's corporate news.

EARNINGS REPORTS

Several corporations issued highly favourable first half year earnings reports, including Crucible Steel, American Chain & Cable, Curtiss-Wright, Timken Roller Bearing, United Aircraft, and Coca-Cola.

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United Press.

Indonesia-Soviet Trade Pact

Djakarta, Aug. 12. Indonesia signed a trade agreement with the Soviet Union today.

Details were not disclosed.

However, the pact was hailed as a forerunner of future negotiations for exchange of Indonesian rubber, copra and other raw materials for Soviet goods and technical aid.

The agreement was signed by Acting Secretary of Foreign Minister Dr Subandrio and E. F. Semashko, Soviet Vice Minister of Trade.

A spokesman for the Foreign Ministry said that Soviet representatives will visit Indonesian countryside and perhaps open further negotiations following President Sukarno's visit to Russia.—United Press.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$140,000. No new quotations on the morning's transactions.

Shares Buyers Sellers Sales

| DANKS | Buylers | Sellers | Sales |
|----------------|---------|---------|--------|
| HK Bank | 1,640 | 1,600 | |
| INSURANCES | 1,930 | | |
| Lombard | 431 | | |
| SHIPPING | 8,600 | 8,800 | 100 |
| WHEELERS, ETC. | 8,70 | | |
| Dock | 41 | | |
| PVIDENT (CO) | 14 | | |
| LAND, ETC. | 14,50 | 14,80 | |
| HK Hotel | 14,50 | 14,80 | |
| Bank | 1,625 | 1,40 | |
| Week | 1,425 | 1,40 | |
| RUBBER | 1,478 | 1,525 | 10,000 |
| Amalg. | 1,478 | 1,525 | 10,000 |
| TELEPHONES | 1,624 | | |
| Tram | 23,50 | 22,80 | |
| Yatnami | 100 | 100 | |
| C. Light (CO) | 23,40 | 23,10 | 100 |
| | | | 20,50 |
| | | | 600 |
| | | | 22,40 |
| | | | 1000 |
| | | | 23,40 |
| Electric | 301 | 301 | 1000 |
| INDUSTRIALS | 24,10 | 24,10 | 144 |
| Concert | 35 | 35 | 1000 |
| STORES, ETC. | 1,624 | 1,624 | 3,20 |
| Dairy | 13,00 | 100 | 100 |
| Watson | 11,40 | 100 | 100 |
| Lane, Crow. | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| INVESTMENTS | 1,624 | 1,624 | 1,624 |
| Yangtze | 6,60 | | |
| Allied | | | |

United Press.

London Market Has Very Cautious Week

By C. T. Hallinan

London, Aug. 12.

Markets had a short week—due to Monday's bank holiday—and a very cautious one, due mostly to politicians and due to industry or finance.

Oil shares were talked about incessantly and the reckless ones sold them short, but the total decline brought them no more than 15 per cent below their all-time peaks of some three weeks ago, and they still have the strongest following of any sector of the stock exchange.

However, despite plenty of bargain-hunting, the selling continued to lower Royal Dutch some £6 to £7 1/2, and British Petroleum nearly 10 shillings to 14 shillings or 12 pence. Shell Transport lost 12 shillings. Almost the sole exception—excluding those like the Canadian issue, Trinidad Oil—were the Anglo-Egyptian "A" shares which improved, nearly rose £1 1/2 to £5 5.

Obviously a lot of fishing in troubled waters.

What saved the week from a slump was the conviction that, no matter how rude Sir Anthony Eden and Nasser get in their mutual remarks, "there will be no war." Not even another Korean-type war.

Erratic

British government stocks were erratic but in general they were pressed for sale.

West Loon 3 1/4 per cent, lost 16 to £70, very close to its low of £69 1/2 which it touched last year. This huge issue has an immense influence on the

Middle East Affects US Business Week

By JOHN MORKA

New York, Aug. 12.

The impact of the Middle East crisis over Egypt's seizure of the Suez Canal continues to dominate the US business week.

International oil stocks and commodities moved in wide price-arcs this past week in line with tensions in the Middle East.

Oil stocks steadied somewhat at the end of last week as the initial shock of the Egyptian seizure lessened. But weekend developments—notably British and French military preparations for a possible action in the Middle East—dampened temporarily hopes for a peaceful solution of the international controversy.

Prices of leading commodities and oil stocks reflected this rising anxiety on Monday. Oil shares were the hardest hit in a slumping market. Stock-spruces had their biggest one-day drop—6.30 points—in the Dow-Jones Industrial average—since President Eisenhower was stricken on June 8. Among the oils, Royal Dutch Petroleum, with Middle East commitments, closed at 100 1/2, off 1 1/2 points on the day. Gulf Oil, with big holdings in Kuwait, dropped 8 1/2 points at close of 127 1/2.

Standard & Poor's reasons that pressure was restrained by general belief in the trade that the government schedule did not take into account full effects of the oil ban. By the Wednesday's close prices had risen as much as \$1.50 a bale over Tuesday, added on speculative short covering.

"A 10 per cent cut in Middle East output probably would not be too serious for these companies to bear, if it were not projected, though earnings from this source might be cut 20 per cent or more for a time."

The foregoing probably is the worst that could be expected. However, chances appear good that the problem will be solved without recourse to such severe measures as prolonged closing of the Canal.

On the question of earnings of International Oil stocks, Standard & Poor's was most optimistic, despite current political uncertainties. Earnings of the International Oil will rise in average about 10 per cent or more this year, it predicted. Demand in foreign areas is expected to outpace the expansion in U.S. consumption. Dividends should also rise.

Longer Term

The International Oil stocks viewed from a longer term standpoint, continue one of the most attractive segments of the industry. The flexibility of worldwide petroleum operations of such units as Standard New Jersey, Texas, Standard of California, Socony, Royal Dutch and Gulf adds appeal, notwithstanding the necessary exposure to occasional political developments, something of a speculative hazard to the stocks of all companies with important international ramifications.

Meanwhile, thirteen international oil companies held a closed meeting last week with interior department oil and gas director, Hugh Stewart, to lay out plans to deal with the Suez situation. The meeting was held in New York and the participants declined to disclose the nature of their talks. However, it was understood that the conference discussed the whole question of action to be taken in the event Middle East oil shipments through the Suez are curtailed.

Petition Filed

All circles here feel that the United States has already mapped out a course of action should Middle East operations be stopped. The New York meeting was said to have gone into the problem of possible European oil shortages, the question of dollar shortages, and possible reorganisation of world tanker fleets to deal with any breakdown in Middle East oil sources.

Elsewhere eighteen domestic oil producers filed a petition with the government asking that oil imports be reduced. Under the reciprocal trade agreement, the President could impose quotas, should imports be felt to have reached the point of injuring an industry vital to the nation's defence. Importers have been warned to voluntarily cut down on their imports. The petition said that imports should equal about 10.5 per cent of domestic production, but have instead been running about 20 per cent of production.

While the closing of the Suez would certainly be considered catastrophic, American financial circles remain hopeful that some solution might be found short of war or a prolonged closing of the Canal.

Standard & Poors, financial analysts, echoes the optimistic note of many export observers in the United States. It finds assurance in the fact that oil's flexibility—in that even if the Suez is closed other oil sources are still available, although admittedly only with some difficulty.

"South Americans were fairly strong." The ordinary shares of the Chilean Antofagasta, Railway road, £5, and the Argentine Tramway Oil debentures gained 2 1/2 to 2 3/4.

Dollar stocks were heavily down—United Press.

NY COTTON MARKET REVIEW

By William T. Plunkett

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

WELFARE WORK

THERE are times of day when Euston station seems almost to have been annexed or been victim of a take-over bid by the Irish.

At those hours, boys from isolated villages in Galway or Limerick or Clare meet and greet, without surprise, night-bus and friends they had not seen since childhood.

There is a kind of inevitability about the encounters and if an Irishman hung around Euston long enough he surely would meet there everyone he had ever known.

Dennis, a stocky, dark-haired man from Kerry, has spent much time there lately.

VICTIM NO. 1

He has appointed himself a kind of welfare officer to the road visitors whom every boat-train delivers, though it is his own welfare and not theirs that is his first concern—a fact that he conceals from the migrants.

Dennis found one such the other evening. An Irishman newly arrived, who was so enchanted with London, or so hard up, that he wanted to trade in the return half of his ticket to Dublin.

"You mean you want a refund?" asked Dennis.

"If that's me money back, that's right," said the other. "Leave it to me," Dennis said. "I work here, they all know me."

AND NO. 2

He took the other's ticket, and with it dashed impressively into first one office then another.

"Can you not do it?" the stranger asked at last.

"Och, I'll do it," said Dennis, "but all the big men have gone now, the ones I talk to. Tell you what, meet me here at 10.15 tonight. I'll have the money by then."

Dennis possibly did have the money by 10.15, but he did not keep his appointment. After he had waited an hour or so, the new hand went to the police.

Two or three days later Dennis was at work again.

Lost—And Found

A well-known solicitor, pacing around the room, peering under benches, into desks, aroused the curiosity of the Court in the hearing of appeals before the Full Court this morning.

Apologising for the distraction he explained "I am looking for exhibits in a tenancy case, my Lord."

He eventually found them—a whole sackful—under the Press bench.

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'HONGKONG
SUNDAY' AT
CAMBRIDGE

A "Hongkong Sunday" was held recently at St Philip's Church, Cambridge, where the curate, the Rev. Basil Moraeus preached on the work of God in Hongkong.

The Rev. Moraeus is an old boy of the Diocesan Boys' School who left the Colony during the early part of the war to go to England via Free China.

Writing to the China Mail, the Rev. Moraeus said almost 100 undergraduates

attended the service.

He added: "Prayer meetings on Hongkong and Southeast Asia in CMS Fellowship of the University had been leading up to this 'Hongkong Sunday' at Cambridge, where there is a deep, prayerful interest in our part of the world".

MARILYN GOES CYCLING

Windsor, Aug. 13. Marilyn Monroe and her play-wright husband, Arthur Miller took their cycles out yesterday for their first ride through the English countryside.

They headed out from their honeymoon home at nearby Eghfield Green for Windsor Great Park—where the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh often go riding with their children.

Few noticed Marilyn in blue drab-like trousers and dark sunglasses as she rode down the tree-lined lanes and across the broad sun-splashed lawns of the park—Reuter.

MAN INJURED

A private motor car knocked down and injured a 45-year-old Chinese in Shan Kwong Road at 11.50 p.m. yesterday.

The pedestrian, Wong Sun-man, of 4, Wang Tak Street, ground floor, sustained injuries and is receiving treatment in hospital.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Since he retired he's had a dozen different ideas—yesterday it was raising chickens, today it's chinchillas!"

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Book Review

Sir—I highly appreciate your reviewer's logical comments appearing in your issue of August 4 on my book "Post Arts in Tales." In publishing further editions I shall certainly do as your reviewer kindly advised me for which I offer him my sincere thanks. As regards my mixing up stamp collecting with propaganda, I wish him to pardon me for saying that his remarks appear unjustified from a philatelic point of view, inasmuch as the design of a stamp is by itself a tiny poster for political propaganda. In this connection, allow me to reiterate here that according to the opinion of two famous professors, Messrs John Crossland and J. M. Parrish, a stamp collector will learn the rise of governments, the redistribution of land, changes of rulers, and important political events; and stamps are the silent witnesses of that which has passed away.

His conclusion that the reason for my publishing Volume III first was my wish to reinforce propaganda work in favour of Free China vis-a-vis aggression is correct. I have done this because I should be loyal to my Lord.

My chief concern is to ensure a wide distribution in America so as to promote friendship and co-operation between two countries which should know each other better. Post Arts in Tales fulfills this purpose to a great extent. With your reviewer's encouragement, I shall continue my struggle to produce a more interesting and improved series.

CHU CHANG SING. Share Report

Sir—A reader has kindly drawn my attention to an error in last Friday's share market report. In it I stated inadvertently that Hongkong Land's interim dividend was \$2. In fact, it was \$2 less tax. The dividend announced last week was a net figure of \$1.75. I regret the error.

YOUR CORRESPONDENT.

Opium Seized On Sampan

A party of Police seized 244 pounds of prepared opium on board a sampan in Yaumai Typhoon Shelter at about 11.50 a.m. yesterday.

A 42-year-old man, Leung Choi, was this morning charged with possession of the opium before Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central and was remanded for four days in goal custody.

No plea was taken.

NAMESAKES

Answers—1. Allegory, Furioso, 3. Italy, 4. Poetry, Suman, 6. Myth, 7. Orlando, Ariosto (the epic poet).

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CONSPIRACY AND CORRUPTION CASE

Solicitor Takes On Defence Of Two Army Officers

Mr J. C. B. Slack of Messrs Hastings announced in the Victoria District Court this morning that he would be taking on the defence of two British Army officers accused, together with a Chinese contractor, of charges of conspiracy and corruption in connection with the military road TWSK.

Mr Slack was the instructing solicitor of the late Mr John Clifford, Counsel for the two officers, Maj. Donald Peachey, 17 and Capt. Harry Curtis, 40, both of the Royal Engineers.

The case, which is being heard by Judge K.R. Macfarlane, was adjourned for a week owing to the death of Mr Clifford on Saturday, August 11.

Mr Slack had said he wished to consult his clients and consider whether to carry on the case himself or to brief another Counsel.

The other accused in the case, Chau Chung-sang, 38, managing partner of the Shun Hing Construction Co., is represented by Mr Patrick Yu, instructed by Zimmerman and Co.

Mr J. Hobley, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting.

Judge's Plea

The trial continued this morning with Mr Slack concluding the cross-examination of Yuen Yiu-wai, deputy clerk of works employed by the War Office.

This witness was given a talking-to by the Judge who complained that he never gave a direct answer "Yes" or "No" but would "gabble away" at other things.

"I have almost reached the end of my endurance," Judge Macfarlane said, calling Yuen an unsatisfactory witness.

After several questions Yuen agreed that he was foreman in some resurfacing work on TWSK near the Tsan Wan end. He said his job was to see which portions of the road needed resurfacing together with Capt. Curtis who was the Garrison Engineer, and then he would prepare estimates with plans for Capt. Curtis to approve.

He at first agreed with Mr Slack that on one occasion in early 1955 he had a large section tarmacadamed without Curtis' permission, but later denied it was done without permission.

He explained that estimates he prepared included this portion and he had sent these to Curtis together with a sketch of the portion which might have been fatal.

Mr Slack suggested that the area was 33 feet wide and 120 feet long, but the witness said it was more like 80 square yards.

Yes?

Mr Slack asked Yuen whether Curtis said anything to him after the road was made. The witness began: "He said . . ." but the Judge asked him whether he meant "yes".

The witness said he did.

"Well say 'Yes' loudly so that I can hear," said Judge Macfarlane.

The witness complied.

Further questioned by Mr Slack he agreed that Curtis told him he should not have allowed that portion to be resurfaced and that he could pay the contractor himself because it was done without permission.

Yuen said he did not know whether the contractor was paid for it or not.

Cheque Book

Capt. F. W. Kench of the Special Investigation Branch of the Royal Military Police, was recalled to produce a cheque book which he seized from the officer or Maj. Peachey.

He agreed that there was a counterfoiled which showed "Dowdells for car" £33 2s. 6d. and another which showed "Dowdells" £32 16s. 3d.

A clerk of the DCRB, Yung Wal-chak, testified that Maj. Peachey came to Tai Lam Chung from early 1953 to last December.

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Two Appeals Dismissed

The Full Court, comprising the Hon. the Chief Justice, Mr Justice M. J. Hogan, and Mr Justice C. W. Reece, Senior puisne Judge, dismissed two appeals against sentences this morning.

The first appellant, Yeung Kai-sun, who was sentenced to seven years and eight strokes of the cane for wounding a Prison officer, Raymond Harmer, pleaded that he met his misfortune this time due to domestic troubles. He said he had to support his parents and a young wife.

"I am illiterate and I ask your Lordship to excuse my stupidity for the crime committed."

Refusing the appeal, Mr Justice Hogan said the Full Court had listened to what he had said. The assault he committed had constituted a serious one. "You used an axe and inflicted on the head (of the Prison officer) a wound which might have been fatal.

"In all the circumstances, we do not think we would be justified to interfere with the sentence imposed by the Court."

The Full Court also dismissed an appeal brought by Ramachandran Lalwani, 29, who was sentenced to four years for unnatural offence.

OAG Visits Printing Works

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, Mr E. B. David, this morning paid a visit to the Government Printing Department in Java Road, North Point.

Accompanied by Mr F. C. Jenner, Government Printer, to the Printing Department where they were met by Mr S. Young, Assistant Government Printer, His Excellency toured the spacious plant for an hour.

He showed great interest in printing in all its different processes from hototype setting to the final binding of books.

Attending His Excellency was Sub-Inspector F. C. Kong.

Storm Heading For Formosa

Manila, Aug. 13. Northern Luzon was lashed by strong winds yesterday as the low pressure cell plotted two days ago east of Luzon developed into a tropical storm which is now heading for Formosa.

As a result the Weather Bureau yesterday issued a storm warning for Northern Luzon and an advisory for the rest of Luzon.

The storm, late yesterday, was moving west-north-west at 12 miles per hour in the direction of Formosa.—France-Presse.

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